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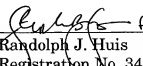
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Sir:

Enclosed is the translated International Preliminary Report on Patentability related to the above-identified 35 U.S.C. §371 National Phase Application based on PCT/EP2005/002740.

Prompt examination of the present application is respectfully requested.

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